

Amendments to the Claims:

Please rewrite the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A device (1) for compensating for pressure drop in a product pipe (7) through which a liquid flows, comprising a collapsible tube portion (2) which is connectible to said product pipe (7),

~~e-h-a-r-a-c-t-e-r-i-s-e-d~~ by wherein

a limiting means (3),

which is inelastic in the circumferential direction and is adapted to counteract stretching of the tube portion (2) in the circumferential direction, and

which is flexible such that it is collapsible freely together with the tube portion (2).

2. (Original) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the limiting means (3) is integrated into a tube wall (14) of the tube portion (2).

3. (Original) A device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the limiting means (3) comprises a reinforcement (13) integrated into said tube wall (14).

4. (Original) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the limiting means (3) is arranged outside the tube portion (2).

5. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the limiting means (3) has such a tensile strength as to prevent stretching of the tube portion (2) in the circumferential direction at a pressure above atmospheric prevailing in the same in the range of 1-10 bar.

6. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, further comprising a casing (4), in which said tube portion (2) and said limiting means (3) are arranged, pressure means (15) being arranged to apply a pressure prevailing in the casing (4), which is slightly below a normal pressure prevailing in the tube portion (2) in operation.

7. (Original) A device as claimed in claim 6, wherein the pressure means (15) is a compressed air means (15).

8. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the tube portion (2) is flexible and stretchable.

9. (Currently Amended) A system (19) for filling containers (10) with liquid contents, comprising a product pipe (7) which leads to at least one filling station (8) with at least one filling valve (9),

~~e-h-a-r-a-e-t-e-r-i-s-e-d~~ by wherein

a device (1) as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1-8~~ claim 1, which is positioned upstream of said at least one filling station (8) and connected to said product pipe (7), for compensating for pressure drop in the product pipe (7).

10. (Original) A system as claimed in claim 9, wherein the tube portion (2) is essentially linearly extended and arranged at an angle to the horizontal plane.

11. (Original) A system as claimed in claim 10, wherein said angle is in the range 5-90°, more preferably in the range 10-45°, and most preferably in the range 25-35°.

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)